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From: Nagle, Austin (DPH)  
Sent: Friday, October 21, 2005 11:16 AM  
To: DPH-DL - ADMIN-ALL-DPH-STAFF  
Subject: Message from Secretary Murphy - DPH Commissioner  
Importance: High

Today, Governor Romney will appoint Paul Cote as the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health. As you know, Paul has been serving as Acting Commissioner since February. During this interim period, Paul's leadership and management skills have brought stability and productivity to this important department. Specifically, the development and implementation of the Governor's substance abuse policy and plan, the planning for a potential pandemic influenza, the response to the Hurricane Katrina evacuees and robustness of our hospital quality assurance process all benefited from Paul's stewardship.

During my tenure as Secretary, I have relied on Paul's counsel for many issues. He is a first-rate policymaker and consummate team-player. As the Secretary, but more importantly as citizen of the Commonwealth, I am very proud to have Paul Cote as the Commissioner of Public Health.

In addition, I have asked Steve McCabe to serve as Acting Commissioner of Division of Health Care Finance and Policy.

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